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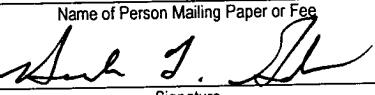
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CAPABLE OF ACCURATELY EXTRACTING AN
EDGE OF A MOVING OBJECT

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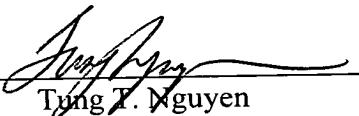
- (1) Kinjo, U.S. Patent No. 5,881,171, issued March 9, 1999; and
- (2) Matsuo et al., U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0002932 A1, published June 7, 2001.

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- (3) Lo et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,937,878, issued June 26, 1990.

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